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## ***SENATE BILL NO. 2853***

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SENATE BILL NO. 2853

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES OF THE MISSISSIPPI COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

**SECTION 1.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of defraying the administrative expenses of the Mississippi Community College Board for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016 ..... \$ 6,964,465.00.

**SECTION 2.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury to the credit of the Mississippi Community College Board, for the purpose of defraying the administrative expenses of the Mississippi Community College Board for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016 .....  
..... \$ 80,381,184.00.

**SECTION 3.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury to the credit of the Commission on Proprietary School and College Registration, for the purpose of defraying the expenses incurred in the regulation and administration of the Mississippi Proprietary School and College Registration Law and the associated expenses of the Mississippi Community College Board for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016.....  
..... \$ 574,386.00.

**SECTION 4.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of this act, the following positions are authorized:

AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

Permanent:	Full Time .....	52
	Part Time .....	0
Time-Limited:	Full Time .....	1
	Part Time .....	0

Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with the terms, conditions, and procedures established by law.

No general funds authorized to be expended herein shall be used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds which are being used for salaries authorized under the provisions of this act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

**SECTION 5.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the budget requests of the administrative expenses of the Mississippi Community College Board for Fiscal Year 2017 shall be submitted to

the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format and level of detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided during the Fiscal Year 2016 budget request process.

**SECTION 6.** Of the funds appropriated herein, up to One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) shall be expended from the Work Force Carryover Fund as created by House Bill No. 1271, 1995 Regular Session.

**SECTION 7.** Of the funds appropriated in Sections 1 and 2, funds in the amount of Forty-five Million Twenty-three Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-nine Dollars (\$45,023,699.00) are appropriated for the Workforce Education Program and Industrial Training. No funding obligation or commitment shall be made on behalf of the state for industrial training beyond the level of funding made available in this section. All industrial training program commitments made in Fiscal Year 2016 and future fiscal years shall be based only upon funds available in this section and any proposed commitments shall be approved by the Executive Director of the Mississippi Community College Board, or the Executive Director's designee prior to such commitment being finalized. Industrial training program commitments shall be made and based only upon training services provided and not for a specific funding amount. Any expenditures of funds authorized in this section are limited to obligations made July 1, 2015, or after, and shall not be expended for obligations made prior to this date.

**SECTION 8.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 2, funds in the amount of Twenty-eight Million Dollars (\$28,000,000.00) shall be derived from unemployment compensation contributions deposited into the Mississippi Workforce Enhancement Training Fund and shall be utilized exclusively by the Mississippi Community College Board for workforce training in accordance with Senate Bill No. 2027, 2010 Regular Session. It is the intention of the Legislature that the Workforce Enhancement Training Fund shall have not less than Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) set aside as a carry-forward to begin the Fiscal Year 2017 Workforce Education Program.

**SECTION 9.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 2, funds in the amount of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000.00) shall be derived from fees charged for the Workforce Online Training Program, and the Mississippi Virtual Community College and funds in the amount of Three Million Seven Hundred Ninety-five Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$3,795,800.00) shall be transferred from the Community and Junior College Education Technology Fund for the purpose of defraying the costs of the Mississippi Virtual Community College, the Workforce Online Training Program and the administrative expenses of the Mississippi Community College Board.

**SECTION 10.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of Section 2, funds in the amount of One Hundred Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000.00) shall be derived from fees charged for issuing duplicate transcripts and duplicate diplomas for the

General Education Development (GED) Testing Program for the purpose of defraying the costs of administering the GED Testing Program of the Mississippi Community College Board, in accordance with Senate Bill No. 2626, 2002 Regular Session.

**SECTION 11.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 2, funds in the amount of Thirty Million Dollars (\$30,000,000.00) shall be derived from the transfer of postsecondary vocational and technical funds from the Mississippi Department of Education to the Mississippi Community College Board for the purpose of managing the day-to-day operations of postsecondary career and technical education.

**SECTION 12.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 1, Five Hundred Forty-two Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-nine Dollars (\$542,459.00) is provided to the Mississippi Community College Board for the purpose of defraying the cost of the Greenville Higher Education Center.

**SECTION 13.** Of the funds provided in Sections 1 and 2, up to One Million One Hundred Seven Thousand Dollars (\$1,107,000.00) shall be used to implement dual enrollment opportunities in practical nursing programs for secondary students.

**SECTION 14.** It is the intention of the Legislature that whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price, quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind

shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are made without competitive bids.

**SECTION 15.** It is the intention of the Legislature that an amount equal to One Dollar and Fifty Cents (\$1.50) per square foot shall be paid to the Executive Office of the State Board of Institutions of Higher Learning to defray utility costs.

**SECTION 16.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of Section 1, Eighty-eight Thousand Dollars (\$88,000.00) is provided to the Mississippi Community College Board for the purpose of defraying the operating cost of the Jones County Junior College Truck Driving Program.

**SECTION 17.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of this act, Two Hundred Fifty-six Thousand Dollars (\$256,000.00) shall be derived from the Education Enhancement Fund from funds deposited pursuant to Sections 27-65-75 and 27-67-31, Mississippi Code of 1972.

**SECTION 18.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 1, Thirty-seven Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-six Dollars (\$37,626.00) is provided for geospatial site licenses.

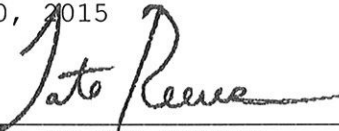
**SECTION 19.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the funds herein appropriated shall be expended in compliance with Section 27-104-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, that no state agency shall incur obligations or indebtedness in excess of their appropriation and that the responsible officers, either personally

or upon their official bonds, shall be held responsible for actions contrary to this provision.

**SECTION 20.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law.

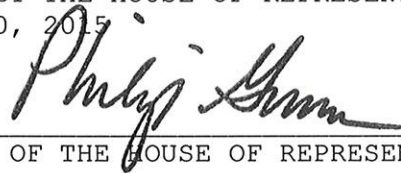
**SECTION 21.** This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2015.

PASSED BY THE SENATE  
March 30, 2015



PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

PASSED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
March 30, 2015



SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR



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